

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Media Alert

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SATURDAY WORK ON SR 316 IN GWINNETT COUNTY

WHERE: SR 316/University Parkway from I-85 to Sugarloaf Parkway in Gwinnet County, crews

will work on SR 316 eastbound first then move to SR 316 westbound

WHEN: Beginning at 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, September 24

• Eastbound work will begin at 8 a.m. closing the outside lane of SR 316 from I-85 to Sugarloaf Parkway. Work in the eastbound lane is expected to conclude about 12 p.m.

• Westbound work will begin about 12 p.m. and close the outside lane until approximately 3:30 p.m. to complete the planned guardrail installation

WHY: Gwinnett County is installing new guardrail on SR 316 from I-85 to Sugarloaf Parkway

WHAT: Gwinnett County's Contractor, C.W. Matthews Contracting, will close the left lane to

install new guardrail.

Delays are expected and will likely impact Interstate 85 north traffic. Please avoid this area of SR 316 and I-85 as this work occurs Saturday.

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